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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 7:51 PM
To: Rep.Berceau
Cc: Rep.Van Akkeren; Rep.Ziegelbauer; Rep.Hintz; Rep.Parisi; Rep.LeMahieu; Rep.Gottlieb; Rep.Spanbauer
Subject: [Possible Spam] AB 67
Importance: Low

Dear Representative Berceau and the Committee on Urban and Local Affairs,

I would like to express my concern about the potential effect AB67 could have on the operation of a winery in Wisconsin. My family and I own and operate Three Lakes Winery, located in Three Lakes. My parents started the business in 1972 and during 37 years of operation we have had strict rules governing the consumption of alcohol by the customers and staff. As owners, we have always lead by example. With that said, in order to bottle wine, we must sample it. To do otherwise would be unethical and, perhaps, illegal. We must have the ability to sample wine during regular hours of operation. The result of this sampling will not be intoxication, but it could raise the blood-alcohol above the 0.0% stated in the proposed law.

It is my understanding that the intent of the law is to prevent bartender/owners from consuming alcohol while working. I trust that a distinction can be made between this activity and the normal operation of a winery.

Thank you for your time and consideration and please contact me as necessary.

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